

and Representatives Ehlers, Doolittle, Reynolds, Hoyer, Fattah, and Davis of Florida; from the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of sections 601 and 606 of the House bill and section 404 of the Senate amendments, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Stump and Representatives McHugh and Skelton; **Page H2599**

From the Committee on the Judiciary for consideration of sections 216, 221, Title IV, sections 502 and 503 of the House bill, and sections 101, 102, 104, subtitles A, B, and C of Title II, sections 311, 501 and 502 of the Senate amendments, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Chabot and Conyers; from the Committee on Science for consideration of sections 221–5, 241–3, 251–3, and 261 of the House bill and section 101 of the Senate amendments, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Boehlert and Representatives Morella and Barcia, provided that Representative Jackson-Lee of Texas is appointed in lieu of Representative Barcia for consideration of sections 251–3 of the House bill, and modifications committed to conference;

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From the Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of sections 103 and 503 of the Senate amendments, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Thomas and Representatives Shaw and Rangel; and for consideration of the House bill and Senate amendments, and modifications committed to conference: Representative Blunt.

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Agreed to the Hoyer motion to instruct conferees to insist on the (1) provisions contained in title I of the House bill (relating to a program to provide payments to States and units of local government for replacing and enhancing punch and voting systems); and (2) provisions contained in section 232 of the House bill (relating to the formula used to determine the amount of other payments made to States under the bill for carrying out activities to improve the administration of elections). **Pages H2596–99**

Committee Resignations: Read letters wherein Representative Pence announced his resignation from the Committee on Science, Representative Bryant announced his resignation from the Committee on the Judiciary, and Representative Forbes announced his resignation from the Committee on Science.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 423, electing Representative Sullivan to the Committees on Government Reform and Science and Representative Forbes to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page H2599**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2513–14, H2592, H2593–94, and H2594. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

ASSESSING RETIREE HEALTH LEGACY COSTS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing on “Assessing Retiree Health Legacy Costs: Is America Prepared for a Healthy Retirement?” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CRITICAL CHALLENGES CONFRONTING NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing on the “Critical Challenges Confronting National Security—Continuing Encroachment Threatens Force Readiness.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Lt. Gen. William P. Tangney, USA, Deputy Commander in Chief, U.S. Special Operations, Command, Tampa, Florida; Col. Thomas D. Waldhauser, USMC, Commanding Officer, 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit, Special Operations Capable, Camp Pendleton, California; Capt. Stephen S. Voetsch, USN, Commander, Air Wing One, USS *Theodore Roosevelt*, Norfolk, Virginia; CDR Kerry M. Meetz, USNR, Naval Special Warfare Group One, Coronado, California; Capt. Jason L. Amerine, USA, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Campbell, Kentucky; Raymond DuBois, Deputy Under Secretary, Installations and Environment; and Paul Mayberry, Deputy Under Secretary, Readiness; Barry Holman, Director, Defense Capabilities and Management, GAO; and Dan Miller, First Assistant Attorney General, Department of Law, State of Colorado.

SIERRA LEONE ELECTIONS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Elections in Sierra Leone: A Step Toward Stability? Testimony was heard from William M. Bellamy, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held an oversight hearing on "Administrative and Procedural Aspects of the Federal Reserve Board/Department of the Treasury Proposed Rule Concerning Competition in the Real Estate Brokerage and Management Markets." Testimony was heard from Sheila Bair, Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following: H.R. 3937, to revoke a Public Land Order with respect to certain lands erroneously included in the Cibola National Wildlife Refuge, California; the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Authorization Act of 2002; the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act Amendments of 2002; the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Research Service Act; the National Coastal and Ocean Service Act of 2002; the National Marine Fisheries Service Act of 2002; and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officers Act of 2002. Testimony was heard from Representative Hunter; Scott Gudes, Deputy Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere/Administrator, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Mitchell R. Ellis, Branch Chief, Wildlife Resources, National Wildlife Refuge System, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health and the Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a joint hearing on Chronic Wasting Disease. Testimony was heard from Carl Groat, Director, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; James G. Butler, Under Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, USDA; Scott McCallum, Governor, State of Wisconsin; Mike Miller, Wildlife Veterinarian, Wildlife Research Center, Division of Wildlife, Department of Natural Resources, State of Colorado; Russell George, Director, Division of Wildlife, Department of Natural Resources, State of Colorado; E. Tom Thorne, Chief of Services, Department of Game and Fish, State of Wyoming; Bruce Morrison, Assistant Administrator, Wildlife Division, Commission of Game and Parks, State of Nebraska; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands held a hearing

on the following bills: H.R. 36, National Discovery Trails Act of 2001; H.R. 3858, New River Gorge National River Boundary Act of 2002; and H.R. 4103, Martin's Cove Land Transfer Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Bereuter; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Tom Fulton, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management; and Katherine Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resource, Stewardship, and Partnerships, National Park Service; and public witnesses.

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on "CMS: New Name, Same Old Game." Testimony was heard from Thomas Scully, Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit approved for full Committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3429, Over-the-Road Bus Security and Safety; and H.R. 3609, Pipeline Infrastructure Protection to Enhance Security and Safety Act.

VETERANS' MATTERS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations and the Subcommittee on Health held a joint hearing on nonprofit research corporations and educational foundations affiliated with specific Veterans Health Administration facilities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Michael Slachta, Jr., Assistant Inspector General, Audit; and Robert H. Roswell, M.D., Under Secretary, Health, Veterans Health Administration; Wendy Baldwin, M.D., Deputy Director, Extramural Research, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of May 15, 2002, p. D492)

H.R. 169, to require that Federal agencies be accountable for violations of antidiscrimination and whistleblower protection laws. Signed on May 15, 2002. (Public Law 107-174)